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THURSDAY, *June* 13, 1754.

BOSTON, *May* 9.

The MESSAGE of both Houſes to his Excellency Governor *SHIRLEY*, in Anſwer to his Two SPEECHES of the 28th of *March* and the 2d of *April* laſt: [*Both of which were inſerted in the* Maryland Gazette, *of* May 23d *and* June 6th, 1754.]

May it pleaſe your Excellency,

THE Council and Houſe of Repreſentatives of this His Majeſty's Province, have given very great Attention to the two Speeches which you have been pleaſed to make from the Chair on the 28th of *March*, and the 2d of *April*: We are ſenſible they contain Matters of the laſt Importance not only to the Inhabitants of this Government, but to every other of His Majeſty's Subjects in *America*, to the *Britiſh* Intereſt in general, and to the Intereſt of all *Europe*.

It now evidently appears that the *French* are far advanced in the Execution of a Plan projected more than fifty Years ſince for the extending their Poſſeſſions from the Mouth of the *Miſſiſippi* on the South, to *Hudſon's Bay* on the North, for ſecuring the vaſt Body of *Indians* in that Inland Country, and for ſubjecting this whole Continent to the Crown of *France*. This Plan, agreeable to the Genius and Policy of the *French* Nation, was laid for a future Age, the Operation of it has been gradual and almoſt inſenſible, whilſt the *Britiſh* Governments in the Plantations, have been conſulting temporary Expedients, and they are in Danger of continuing to do ſo until it be too late to defeat it. And however improbable it may ſeem that this Scheme ſhould ſucceed, ſince the *French* Inhabitants on the Continent, at preſent, bear but a ſmall Proportion to the *Engliſh*, yet there are many other Circumſtances which give them a great Advantage over us, and which, if not attended to, will ſoon overballance our Superiority in Numbers.

The *French* pay no Regard to the moſt ſolemn Engagements, but immediately after a Peace take and keep Poſſeſſion of a Country which by Treaty they had juſt before expreſly ceded, whilſt the *Engliſh* in the Plantations, afraid of incurring Diſpleaſure, and of being Inſtrumental of bringing on a War in *Europe*, ſuffer theſe Encroachments to be made and continued. The *French* in Time of Peace are continually exciting the *Indians* ſettled among them to come upon our Frontiers to kill and captivate our People, and to carry their Scalps and Priſoners to *Canada*, where, as we have full Evidence, a Reward is given for them, and by this Means we are prevented from extending our Settlements in our own Country, while the *Engliſh*, from the Principle juſt now mentioned, ſcruple to avenge themſelves by carrying the War into the *Indian* Settlements, leſt they ſhould annoy his Majeſty's Allies, with whom our moſt barbarous Enemies are intermix'd, and by whom they are cheriſhed and encouraged. The *French* have under their Influence by far the greateſt Part of the *Indians* on the Continent, whilſt the *Engliſh*, by the different Meaſures of the ſeveral Governments, are in Danger of loſing the ſmall Proportion which at preſent are attached to them. The *French* have but one Intereſt, and keep one Point in View, the *Engliſh* Governments have different Intereſts, are diſunited, ſome of them have their Frontiers covered by their Neighbouring Governments, and not being immediately affected, ſeem unconcerned. The *French* are ſupported by the Crown and Treaſure of *France*, which ſeems now more than ever to have made the Plantations the Object of its Attention, the *Engliſh* Governments are obliged to carry on *any* Schemes at their own Expence, and are not able long to ſupport any great Undertaking.

Theſe are ſome of the Diſadvantages which the *Engliſh* at preſent labour under, and they are not likely to be removed without his Majeſty's gracious Interpoſition.

We therefore deſire your Excellency to repreſent to his Majeſty, the expoſed hazardous State of theſe his Governments, and humbly to pray, that he would be pleaſed to cauſe the moſt effectual Meaſures to be taken for the removal of any *French* Forts or Settlements that are or may be made in any Part of his Territories on this Continent; and in particular that the Subjects of the *French* King may be compelled to quit the Province of *Nova Scotia*, where in direct Violation of the moſt expreſs Agreement to the contrary, they are daily increaſing and fortifying themſelves; That his Majeſty would allow and order, that whenſoever the *Indians* who are ſettled among the *French*, or are under their Direction and Controul, ſhall captivate and deſtroy his *Engliſh* Subjects, his reſpective Governments ſhall ſuffer and encourage the *Indians* who are in the *Engliſh* Intereſt, to make Reprizals upon the *French*, there being no other Way of putting a Stop to the Incurſions of the *French Indians*, or of forwarding the Settlements of our Frontiers; That Affairs which relate to the *Indians* of the *Six Nations*, and their Allies, under ſome general Directions as his Majeſty ſhall think proper may be conſtantly regarded, and that the Intereſts or Meaſures of particular Governments or Perſons, may not be ſuffered to interfere with ſuch Direction; That the ſeveral Governments may be obliged to bear their Proportion of the Charge of defending his Majeſty's Territories againſt the Encroachments of the *French*, and the Ravages and Incurſions of the *Indians*; and that in Caſe of any great and heavy Charge, his Majeſty would be graciouſly pleaſed to afford Relief.

In the mean Time, we aſſure your Excellency, that we are ready to do every thing that can be expected from us on the preſent Emergency. We think ourſelves happy that we have a Gentleman at the Head of the Province, who is ſo perfectly acquainted with his Majeſty's juſt Title to the Countries encroached upon by the *French*, who has given ſuch diſtinguiſhed Proofs of his Zeal for his Majeſty's Service, whoſe Endeavours to defend his Territories, and enlarge his Dominions in Time of War, have been attended with ſuch happy Succeſs, and whoſe Abhorrence of ſuch perfidious Invaſions in Time of Peace, we are ſo well acquainted with. We take great Pleaſure and Satisfaction in the Meaſures taken by your Excellency, with the Advice of his Majeſty's Council, in the Receſs of the Court, and will chearfully Support the Execution of them.

We look upon it to be of abſolute Neceſſity that the *French* ſhould at all Events be prevented from making any Settlements whatſoever on the River *Kennebeck*, or the Carrying Place at the Head of it.

As *Richmond* Fort on that River is in a decayed State, we deſire your Excellency to order a new Fort to be erected of about One Hundred and twenty Feet ſquare, as far up the River above *Richmond* Fort as your Excellency ſhall think fit, and to cauſe the Garriſon Artillery and Stores at *Richmond*, to be removed to the new Fort, and the old One to be demoliſhed.

We pray your Excellency likewiſe to order a ſufficient Force up to the Carrying Place to remove any *French* that may be ſettled there; But as we apprehend that our Succeſs, under Providence, will depend very much on your taking this Affair into your immediate Care and Direction; We therefore pray your Excellency to ſubmit to the Inconveniences of a Voyage to the Eaſtern Parts of the Province; and there to give ſuch Orders for the Purpoſes aforeſaid, as you ſhall find neceſſary. And that your Excellency's Perſon may be ſecure againſt any Attempts of the *French* and *Indians*, and that you may be enabled to effect the building the Fort aforeſaid, and to deſtroy any *French* Settlements that may be carrying on; we will make Proviſion for the Pay and Subſiſtence of Five Hundred Men; which Number, including the ſix Independent Companies already ordered, we deſire you to cauſe to be inliſted as ſoon as you ſhall think proper. We will alſo make ample Proviſion for your Excellency's Voyage, and for an Interview with the *Indians*, if you ſhall find it expedient.

We hope, by your Excellency's prudent Management, theſe *Indians* will be convinced that it is their Intereſt to continue at Peace with us; and we are ſincerely deſirous that every Thing may be done which may tend to perpetuate the ſame.

We will readily defray the Charge of ſupporting and educating a conſiderable Number of the principal *Indian* Children, if your Excellency can prevail on their Friends to agree to it.

We are ſituated remote from the *Six Nations*, and have never had the Benefit of a Trade with them, yet we have frequently joined in the Treaties with them, and have contributed largely towards Preſents and other Expences attending ſuch Treaties, and are ſtill ready to do all that can be reaſonably deſired from us for ſecuring their Attachment to his Majeſty's Intereſt.

Your Excellency muſt be ſenſible that an Union of the ſeveral Governments for their mutual Defence, and for the Annoyance of the Enemy, has long been deſired by this Province, and Propoſals made for this Purpoſe; We are ſtill in the ſame Sentiments, and ſhall uſe our Endeavours to effect it.

LISBON, February 19.

A MAN of War call'd Our Lady of Nativity, arriv'd here the 13th Inſtant from Angola. This Ship having touch'd in her Paſſage at Rio de Janeiro, has brought from thence the following Advices:

The Spaniards have lately conſiderably reinforced the Garriſons of their Frontier Towns; which occaſions various Conjectures here, as the Drift of ſuch Diſpoſitions is a Secret to the Public.

Naples, March 5. The Magazines all over the Kingdom, are filling with Military Stores, and Recruiting carried on with the utmoſt Expedition. It is thought that our commercial Treaty with Great-Britain will be a Work of Time, that Court requiring ſome particular Advantages not ſpecified in the Treaty concluded with the States of the United Provinces.

Madrid, March 12. The reiterated Repreſentations of Mr. Keene, concerning Engliſh Ships illegally taken by the Spaniſh Guarda Coſtas in America, are liſtened to with all the Attention which ſo important an Affair demands, and with all the Deference requiſite for preſerving a good Underſtanding between the two Courts: But the Regulations propoſed in order to prevent the Seizures complained of, ſeem to reſt on Conditions which our Court will hardly agree to: So that the Britiſh Ambaſſador is likely to preſent ſeveral Memorials, before he brings his Negociation to an Iſſue.

Turin, March 10. Letters from the Frontiers of France inform us, that the Troops actually in Languedoc, Provence and Dauphiny, do not fall ſhort of 50,000 effective Men; and that they were raiſing Sailors at Antibes, Marſeilles, and other Places, to complete the Crews of the Ships equipt at Toulon.

Genoa, March 12. We hear that they are hard at Work at Carthagena, fitting out the Men of War lately built there, ſome of which are deſtined for America, to protect the Guarda Coſtas and ſuppreſs all contraband Trade, and the reſt are to cruize in the Mediterranean againſt the Barbary Corſairs.

Rome, March 12. The Pope intends to buy an Engliſh Frigate now at Civita Vecchia, to ſend againſt the Barbary Corſairs, and has reſolved to have a Regiment of Marines to go on board his Gallies for the like Uſe.

LONDON,

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Extract of a Letter from Languedoc, Feb. 26.

" We are under Conſternation and Lamentations inexpreſſible, in regard to an Order which renews the Perſecution with the utmoſt Violence. There are 50 or 60,000 Military Men in this Province who are commanded to regard neither Sex or Age, but to fire upon us with Ball if they diſcover any of our Meetings for Divine Worſhip. All Paſſages for the Proteſtants to go out of the Kingdom are moſt carfully ſtopped; great Care is taken to diſcover thoſe who were married by their Miniſters, to diſſolve their Marriages and compel them to be married again by the Roman Clergy. They take from Fathers and Mothers the Children which were baptized by their Miniſters, and baptize them again in the Romiſh Church; in ſhort, our Grievances are ſo terrible, that they hardly can be expreſſed. On the one Hand we ſee Huſbands parted from their lawful Wives, Wives from their Huſbands, and deprived of their Children; the Troops in a perpetual Motion to ſeize the Unfortunate; inſomuch that nothing hardly, is heard, but grievous Complaints and bitter Cries. Our Troubles are ſo much the more ſenſible, as that ſince the general Perſecution, we have had a Relaxation for theſe five or ſix Years. In that Interval there were ſeveral thouſand Chriſtenings adminiſtered to them; and that which ſets a Fulneſs to our Deſolation is, that the Heads of thoſe holy Men are ſet at a great Price, to make them ſuffer Martyrdom: Great Rewards are promiſed to thoſe who will deliver them up, dead or alive. The Pretence for this ſevere Uſage of the Proteſtants here, is, as I have been informed, that we have ſent Deputies to England and Holland, to deſire Aſſiſtance, which not only is notoriouſly falſe, but moreover void of Senſe, and of any Likelihood."

March 16. We hear that ſeveral Petitions for Divorce, with leave to marry again, have been lately preſented to the Lords,—*all at the Suit of the Ladies.*

March 19. By a Letter from Durham, there is Advice of the Death of the ingenious Mr. JOSHUA APPLEBY, who invented the Method for making Salt Water freſh, which was lately approved by the Lords of the Admiralty.

March 20. Sunday being the laſt Day before the Commencement of the new Marriage Act, there was a prodigious Reſort of young People to Mr. Keith's Chapel at May Fair. Before 11 o'Clock, forty five Couple were married, and a vaſt Number were then waiting for their Turn. Two Men were conſtantly employed in filling up Licenſes.

On Monday Night a Jew who was ſuppoſed to have died in the Morning, was carried in Funeral Proceſſion to Mile End, in order to be interred in the Burial Ground there: But at the Grave the Mourners, &c. thought they heard a Groan and on looking into the Coffin, found the Man alive.

March 30. We hear that the French Proteſtants have put up Prayers in all their Chapels for their Brethren, now under Perſecution in Languedoc.

April 1. A private Letter from Paris brings Word, that tho' the Dey of Algiers has releaſed Capt. Prepaud, and reſtored his Veſſel, yet his moſt Chriſtian Majeſty is determined to ſend againſt that State the Squadron that was intended to chaſtiſe it, in Order to demand Satisfaction, not only for all Damages which the Merchants and others have ſuſtained on Account of the Detention, but even for the Expence of fitting out the Fleet.

Worceſter, March 28. We hear that, on Sunday laſt, as ſoon as the Marriage Act began to be read, in the Pariſh Church of Baddeſey, near Eveſham, the whole Congregation, except two or three old Women, after bowing to the Miniſter, withdrew, and retired to their reſpective Homes.

'Tis generally thought, that the terrible Apprehenſions moſt young People in theſe Parts were under, on Account of the Marriage Act, have led many of them much ſooner into the Matrimonial State than they would otherwiſe have been; for, on Sunday laſt, a very uncommon Number of Marriages were ſolemnized in this City and Neighbourhood.

Edinburg, March 26 Friday laſt the High Court of Juſticiary pronounced the following Sentence: " Whereas Archibald M'Donald, Son of Col. M'Donald of Bariſdale, at preſent a Priſoner in the Caſtle of Edinburg, ſtands attainted of High Treaſon, by the Act of Parliament of the 19th Year of his preſent Majeſty: And whereas the Lords of Juſticiary have, upon Conſideration of his own judicial Confeſſion, and Depoſition of the Witneſſes examined in Behalf of his Majeſty, found that the ſaid Archibald M'Donald is the ſame Perſon who ſtands attainted of High Treaſon, by the Act of Parliament above mentioned, by the Name and Deſignation of Archibald M'Donald, Son of Col M' Donald of Bariſdale: Therefore, and in reſpect thereof, the ſaid Archibald M'Donald now at the Bar is by us decern'd and adjudg'd to be taken from this Place to the Caſtle of Edinburg, therein to remain 'til Wedneſday the 22d of May next, and upon that Day to be carried to the Graſs Market of Edinburg, and then and there, betwixt the Hours of Two and Four in the Afternoon, to be hanged by the Neck upon a Gibbet, but not 'til he be dead, for he is hereby appointed to be cut down alive, his Entrails to be taken out, and burnt, his Head cut off, and his Body quarter'd, and his Head and Quarters to be at the King's Diſpoſal." During the whole Procedure, the Priſoner behav'd with the greateſt Compoſure and Decency, and the Court expreſſed their Concern for his unhappy Situation, more eſpecially as he had been engaged in the Rebellion when very young, under the Influence of a Father and Grandfather. It was for this Reaſon, we hear, their Lordſhip's prolonged the Day for his Execution, that he may have full Time to apply for his Majeſty's Pardon.

Dublin, March 9. A conſiderable Number of Nobility, Members of Parliament, and other Gentlemen, and Merchants of Property and Diſtinction, of the Province of Leinſter, ſtrenuouſly attached to his Majeſty's Royal Perſon and Family, dined together at the Tholſel of this City; to which Place the Lord Mayor, the Speaker of the Houſe of Commons, Sir Richard Cox, Col. Dilkes, and the Sheriffs, were invited; but the Lord Mayor being ill of the Gout, excuſed himſelf from coming, by ſending to Lord Kildare, who was in the Chair, a Card with his Lordſhip's Excuſe, viz. '*The Lord Mayor preſents his Compliments to Lord* Kildare, *and the Gentlemen of* Leinſter; *he is very ſorry it was not in his Power to wait on them this Day, agreeable to his Inclinations; but is drinking his Lordſhip's Health and his Company, in a half Pint Glaſs. Saturday Evening.*' After Dinner, a great many loyal patriot Toaſts were drank, with the utmoſt Chearfulneſs, and a remarkable Unanimity; among which (after the Royal Family) were the following:

Proſperity to Ireland.

Lord Kildare *and Liberty.*

The Speaker of the Houſe of Commons of Ireland, *and may we never want a Man of his Reſolution and Senſe to ſupport the true Intereſt and Dignity of the Commons.*

May we never want a Kildare *and a* Boyle *to aſſert our Loyalty, and to defend our Liberty.*

The Lord Mayor, and Proſperity to the Trade of this City.

May Loyalty to our Prince, and the Laws of our Country, be the Rule of our Conduct.

May all new Sheriffs prove Inſtruments, under Providence, to preſerve the Liberties of Ireland.

May the reſt of his Majeſty's Subjects prove as loyal to the King as the Speaker and his Friends.

The Two Strangers at the C——.

May the Love of the People be the only Treaſure ever carried out of the Kingdom.

That invaluable Privilege of free Subject, THE LIBERTY OF THE PRESS.

The four Martyrs for Liberty.

May that Man, who hath neither Wife, Whore, or Eſtate in Ireland, *never have any Share in the G—— thereof.*

May the Ladies of Ireland *never be neglected.*

Diſappointment to the Pope, and Pretender, and the P——, in all their Schemes to ruin Ireland.

May the Statue of Juſtice, which ſhews her Backſide to the People, ſhew her Face by next S—— of P——.

The Parliament of Paris.

A high Wind, lee Shore, and leaky Veſſel to all the Enemies of Ireland.

In the Evening, ſeveral Barrels of Ale, and a large Bonfire, were given to the Populace, who, with honeſt Shouts, expreſſed their Gratitude to the generous Preſervers of the Liberty and Property of this Loyal Kingdom.

At this Aſſembly it was unanimouſly reſolved, that their Thanks be given to the patriot Repreſentatives of Leinſter, for their invariable Steadineſs, exerted laſt Seſſion of Parliament, in Conjunction with the worthy Repreſentatives of other Parts of this Kingdom, in defending the Cauſe of Liberty againſt all unconſtitutional Invaſions, and ſupporting the true Intereſt of their King and Country.

Dublin, March 12. On Friday the 8th Inſtant, was ſeized near Clogherhead, and brought to the King's Stores at Drogheda, 47 Caſks of Brandy, 2 Caſks of Tea, and a Quantity of Roll Tobacco, by Mr. Joſeph Cheavuley, Surveyor of Queenborough.

From Cork we have an Account, that one Forſter, after murdering his Father, forcibly committing Inceſt with and afterwards murdering his Mother and the Maid Servant, ſet Fire to the Houſe, and then made his Eſcape.

Kinſale, March 22. On Monday the 11th Inſtant arrived here his Majeſty's Ship Kent, 70 Guns, Admiral Watſon Commander, from Plymouth, with the following Fleet of Men of War, to take on board Land Forces for the Eaſt Indies: The Eagle, 70 Guns, Commodore Pocock Commander. The Briſtol, 70 Guns, Capt. Latham. The Saliſbury, 70 Guns, Capt. Knowler. The Bridgewater, 50 Guns, Capt. Martin. The Hazard Sloop, Capt. Hanbury. And the King Fiſher Sloop, Capt. Miles. They intended to have got into Cork, but could not make the Harbour.

St. JOHN's, in ANTIGUA.

April 12. On the 3d Inſt. arrived here the Schooner Betſon and Sally, Captain William Vaughan, from Philadelphia; but laſt from Martinico and Montſerrat. She left Delaware Capes the 22d of January laſt, bound here, laden chiefly with Bread and Flour. On the 7th of February, being off Guadaloupe, which they took for this Iſland, occaſioned by thick Weather, and Want of Obſervation for two Days, they met with a French Guarda-Coſta Sloop, Monſ. La Blanc, Commander, who immediately boarded Capt. Vaughan for being on the French Coaſt, opened all his Letters and Papers, and carried him into Martinico, where he was cloſe confined in a common Jail, among Negro Criminals, with his Paſſengers and Crew (nine in Number) 34 Days, all which Time they were allowed, without any Diſtinction, only Bread and Water for their Diet, and the bare Floor for their Lodging. They were then releaſed, on paying Coſts, which amounted to 300 Pieces of Eight; to produce which, the generous Frenchman obliged Capt. Vaughan to ſell Part of his Cargo: They alſo plundered his Veſſel of Proviſions and Utenſils, to the Value of 100 more. Captain Vaughan then went to a Notary Public, and entered a Proteſt againſt this Uſage, a Copy of which he has in French. After this he was compelled immediately to ſail from Martinico, which he left the 20th of March, intending directly for this Port; but by contrary Winds, was obliged to put into Montſerrat the 1ſt Inſt. where he again proteſted. Capt. Vaughan alſo waited on his Excellency General Thomas here, and repeated his Caſe.

Laſt Monday Morning, a few Minutes before One a Clock, the Inhabitants of this Town and Iſland, were much alarmed by a rumbling Earthquake, which ſhook their Houſes in ſuch a ſenſible Manner, as to make them apprehenſive of Damage, yet none has been heard of. This was alſo ſtrongly felt in our Harbour. Juſt after one a Clock, another ſmall Tremor happened; and many People were again ſurprized by a Second, near Seven in the Evening.——We have been bleſſed with ſeveral plentiful Showers of Rain ſince the above Quakes, tho' it had been very dry Weather for ſome Time before.

BOSTON, May 20.

Extract of a Letter, dated St. Euſtatia, April 10.

" I can't omit mentioning to you the inexpreſſible Conſternation which the greater Part of this Iſland was put into by a moſt ſhocking Earthquake, which happened laſt Sabbath day Night, between the Hours of Twelve and One; I ſuppoſe little, if any thing, inferior to what was felt in New-England in the Year 1727; but we had no repeated Shocks.——It is at preſent a moſt diſtreſſing Time in this Place, on Account of the Drought: Water is now ſold here, I ſuppoſe, much dearer than is uſually given for Cyder at the Preſs in N. E.——There never was a Drop of Water known to be in this Place but what falls from the Heavens, and the Ciſterns are now almoſt exhauſted; the Earth is parched under our Feet; many Crops are cut off; Men and Beaſts are diſtreſſed!——A few Days ago, three white Men and a Negro, were executed here for Burglary and Theft."

By Capt. Oſbourn from Connecticut, we are informed, that there had lately been moſt terrible Thunder and Lightning on the Coaſt of Virginia, which had done great Damage to ſeveral Veſſels: That a whaling Sloop, from Nantucket, had her Maſt ſhiver'd to Pieces, and two Men kill'd, and was got into the Vineyard: That a Brigantine was much damaged, and had one Man kill'd: And alſo, that a Ship from Liverpool, bound to Virginia, was ſtruck, and received much Damage, of which we have not yet got the Particulars.

Extract of a Letter from Exeter in New Hampſhire, May 13.

——" It is a melancholy Time in regard to the Drought, and the terrible Burnings there are in the Woods: It is feared Nottingham will be almoſt deſtroyed

destroyed: Several Houſes and Barns burnt already; the Meeting-houſe hardly eſcaped; 100,000 Boards burnt at one Mill; almoſt all the Pine Timber in the Town deſtroyed; and the Fire is ſtill raging.——It ſeems, unleſs Providence ſhould interpoſe, the Country above us muſt be laid waſte."—

We hear alſo, That the Fire has made great Deſtruction of the Woods at and about Cheſter, in the ſaid Province.

But we are ſince informed, that the late plentiful Rains have put a Stop to the Progreſs of the Flames.

NEW-YORK.

May 13. *In Capt. Merſier, who arrived here ſince our laſt, in nine Weeks from the Coaſt of Africa, are come two Seamen formerly belonging to the Sloop Thomas, John Whiteſides, Maſter, of and from Liverpool: They inform us, That they ſailed in the aforeſaid Sloop the 2d of March laſt, from Fort St. James, in Gambia River; that the next Morning as they lay at Anchor near the Mouth of the River, the Slaves, 87 in Number, having privately got off their Irons, ſuddenly mounted the Deck, and knock'd the Chief Mate overboard, as he went forward to meſs them: That the Seamen being alarmed thereupon, repaired to their Small Arms, and fired among the Negroes, which obliged them to return below; but a greater Number of them ſoon after remounting the Deck, having then obſerved the Seamens Fire Arms to be bad and miſs Fire, doubled their Diligence, with Billets of Wood, and Pieces of Boards, againſt the White Men, who were but eight in all: That from the Captain's Negligence in not keeping loaded the Swivels that were placed through the Barricado, and their not being able to come to their better Small-Arms, deſign'd to trade with, by Means of the cloſe Attack of the Negroes, they were all obliged to take to their Long boat, and leave the Sloop in Poſſeſſion of the Slaves. That thereupon Captain James, in the St. Paul, of London, and Capt. Merſier, who lay about four Miles Diſtance, both weigh'd and endeavoured to recover the Sloop, but in vain, altho' Capt. James held an Hour's Engagement with her very hot; the Slaves making uſe of the Swivel Guns, and trading Small Arms, ſeemingly in an experienced Manner againſt them, and Night coming on, obliged the two Captains to re anchor, to take Care of their own Slaves: Whiteſides and his Crew, by that Time reaching Capt. Merſier, after taking up his Mate, who the Slaves knock'd overboard. A Carolina Sloop bound in, being well provided with Ammunition, by the Entreaty of Whiteſides, went in Purſuit of his Sloop; but our Informers knew nothing more of her afterwards, as Capts. Merſier and James came off the next Morning, being the 4th of March, the latter bound to South Carolina with 140 Slaves on board: They kept Company with each other five Weeks, and paſſed 15 Leagues to Windward of Antigua, all well.*

Laſt Week two of the Independent Companies poſted here, were embarked on board his Majeſty's Ship the Centaur, in order to be tranſported to Virginia. The Ship is ſince fallen down to the Watering Place, and waits only for a fair Wind to proceed. And,

On Thurſday laſt arrived at Sandy-Hook, the Swan Snow Man of War, Capt. Langdon, Commander (formerly Lieutenant of the Taviſtock) who has brought hither the Honourable Dudley Diggs, Eſquire, appointed Commander of the Centaur.

May 27. *Laſt Tueſday Capt. Bennet of the Jamaica Packet, arrived here in eight Weeks from Madeira, who in Lat. 23 and a Half, Lon. 32 Weſt from London, ſpoke with the Walpole, Captain Fowler, in 14 Weeks from India, but laſt from St. Helena, in 29 Days: He informed Capt. Bennet, that the French and Engliſh were at OPEN WAR in the Indies.*

PHILADELPHIA.

May 30. Captain Rees, from Barbados, adviſes, that the Rebecca, Captain Lowther (who we lately mention'd to have been boarded by a French Guard de Coaſt off of Guadaloupe) is carried into Martinico.

Saturday laſt the notorious John Crow (who a few Years ago was repriev'd here under the Gallows, and had been ſeveral Times in Danger of being hang'd ſince) and one Cheſter, were executed at Trenton for Houſe breaking.

June 6. Capt. Drieſcall from Liſbon informs us, that two Days before he ſailed, an Expreſs arrived there from Madrid, who brought Advice, that a Fleet of twelve Sail of French Men of War of the Line, two Bombs, and a Fire ſhip, were before Algiers; and that they had Orders, in caſe they did not receive proper Satisfaction for the Inſults offered by the Algerines to their Flag, to bombard the Place in three Days from the Time of their Arrival.

ANNAPOLIS.

We have a certain Account from the Weſtward, of an Engagement between a Party of Engliſh *and* French, *on the 27th of* May *paſt, beyond the* Allegany Mountains, *in a Place called* The Flats, *about* 80 *Miles from our back Settlements, about* 240 *Miles near N. W. of this Place, and ſome Miles to the Eaſtward of the new Fort on the* Ohio, *which was lately ſurrendered to the* French *by Capt.* Trent. *Some of the Particulars are as follows: Major* Waſhington *had Intelligence, from our Friend the Half King, that a Party of* French *were encamped on this Side the Fork, on which he immediately marched at the Head of a Company of about* 40 *Men, but during their March the Rains fell ſo heavy that they could ſcarce keep their Ammunition dry; the* French *obſerved them before they came up, and ſpeedily put themſelves in Order of Battle, being under the Command of Monſieur* Le Force: *When the two Parties approached nigh, the* French *(who were about* 36 *in Number), gave the firſt Fire, by which one of Major* Waſhington's *Men was killed, and another knock'd down: The* Engliſh *returned the Fire, and killed* 7 *or* 8 *of the* French, *on which the Reſt took to their Heels; but the Half King, and his* Indians, *who lay in Ambuſh to cut them off in their Retreat, fell upon them, and ſoon killed and ſcalped Five of them. Monſieur* Le Force *finding that they were all likely to loſe their Lives under the Hands of the Savages, called to his Men, and adviſed them to ſurrender to the* Engliſh; *they immediately, with great Precipitation, ran towards the* Engliſh, *flung down their Arms; and begg'd for Quarter. Major* Waſhington *interpoſed between them and the Half King, and it was with great Difficulty that he prevented the* Indians *from doing them further Miſchief, the Half King inſiſting on Scalping them all, as it was their Way of Fighting, and he alledged that thoſe People had killed, boiled, and eat his Father, and that the* Indians *would not be ſatisfied without all their Scalps; however, Major* Waſhington *at length perſuaded him to be content with what Scalps he had already got. One of thoſe Five which were killed and ſcalped by the* Indians, *was Monſieur* Jumonville, *an Enſign, whom the Half King himſelf diſpatched with his Tomahawk. Monſieur* Le Force, *and Twenty more* Frenchmen, *who were taken Priſoners, are carried down to* Williamſburg. *One or Two, it is ſaid, got away before the Reſt ſurrendered, and it is not known what is become of them.* Le Force *has the Character of an expert Officer, and the Half King reckoned that the* Engliſh *had gained a great Advantage in taking him, telling Major* Waſhington, *that* That Man *(Le Force)* was a Thouſand.

Col. Joshua Fry, *who had the Chief Command of the Forces gone to the* Ohio, *had lately the Misfortune of falling from his Horſe, whereby he was much bruiſed, and died ſoon after at* Wills's *Creek.*

Laſt Friday ſail'd for London, *from* Weſt *River, Capt.* Rawlings *in the* Swift, *with whom went Paſſengers, Dr.* Thomas Thornton, *and Mr.* Addison Murdock.

Cuſtom-Houſe, Annapolis, *Entered ſince* May 23.
Brig Chapman, John Dair, from Oporto;
Brig Charles, Jacob Walters, from London;
Brig Endeavour, John Jones, from Barbadoes;
Schooner Speedwell, S. White, from Barbadoes;
Ship Neptune, Jerningham Bigg, from London;
Snow Polly, John Troy, from Dublin.

Cleared for Departure,

Sloop Heſter, Richard Bryan, for Philadelphia;
Schooner Buxom Joan, R. Thornby, for Virginia;
Sloop Union, Thomas Dewick, for Barbadoes.

To be Sold by Public Vendue,

On Thurſday the 15th of Auguſt *next,*

A TRACT of Land, lying in *Anne Arundel* County, near *Elk Ridge* Church, not 30 Miles from *Annapolis*, and within 10 Miles of *Pataſco* Landing, containing 561 Acres, well Timber'd, and very well improved, having a good Dwelling Houſe, Tobacco Houſe, Kitchen, Stone Milk Houſe, and other Out-Houſes, and a good young Orchard. The Sale to be on the Premiſes, at One o'Clock on the ſaid Day. For Title and Terms apply to *John Ducker.*

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of Dr. *Richard Cooke*, in *Frederick* County, taken up as a Stray, a Dark Bay Horſe, branded on the near Buttock with the Letters TP (join'd together) has three white Feet, and a Wall Eye,

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

By Directions of a late ACT,

THIS is to give Notice, That a ſtrong well built Boat, 12 Feet long, pay'd with Turpentine, without an Oar, Rudder, or any Rope, having Rollocks for four Oars, with a Scoop in her; was lately taken up in the Bay, and is now in the Poſſeſſion of Mr. *Nicholas Clouds*, on *Kent* Iſland, to whom the Owner may apply.

SUPPOSED to be Stolen, on the Main Road, between the Subſcriber's new Dwelling Houſe and *Dorcas Hill's*, where he was left by one *Hugh Keates*, who had the Care of him, on the 28th of *May* laſt, a ſmall Negro Boy, named *Charles*, alias *Mungo*. He is a ſprightly Child, and almoſt three Years old. Had on when he was miſſed, a Check Shirt. It was at firſt imagined that he had loſt himſelf in the Woods, but on the moſt diligent Search and Enquiry, not being able to find or hear any Thing of him, it is ſuppoſed he was ſtolen and carried off by two Men, who run away that Night.

Whoever brings him to the Subſcriber, living near *Annapolis*, ſhall have Three Piſtoles Reward; and if the Thief or Thieves be apprehended, and legally convicted thereof, Six Piſtoles.

Charles Homewood.

RAN away from the Subſcriber, living at *Sparrow's* Point, *Pataſco*, a Negro Man, called *Jemmy*, about 22 Years of Age, a likely well ſet Fellow, walks Pidgeon footed, has a fine Voice, and is very bold. Whoever takes up the ſaid Fellow, and ſecures him ſo that his Maſter may have him again, ſhall have Forty Shillings Reward, if taken in this Province; and if taken out of this Province, Three Pounds.

Wm. Rogers. *John Perveal.*

Bladenſburg, June 7, 1754.

RAN away from the Subſcriber, a Convict Servant Man, named *John Trow*, a Carpenter by Trade, born in *England*, about 5 Feet 6 Inches high, of a dark Complexion; he has ſmall Features, and a thick Beard with ſome grey Hairs in it, and the fore Part of his Head ſhaved. Had on an old fine Hat, ſtriped Holland Shirt, new Oſnabrigs Trowſers, and old Shoes

Whoever apprehends the ſaid Servant, and brings him home, ſhall have Thirty Shillings Current Money Reward, beſides what the Law allows.

Mr. Chickham. *Richard Henderſon.*

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there are in the Poſſeſſion of *Joſeph Sparks*, living near *Piney* Creek in *Frederick* County, taken up as Strays the two following Creatures, *viz.*

A Dark Bay Mare, with a long Blaze in her Face, a Crop in the off Ear, a long Tail, and branded on the near Shoulder, but uncertain with what.

And a White Gelding, with a Slit in the Top of his off Ear, a long Tail, and branded on the off Buttock P ∩ with a Stroke at the Bottom of the U, and has ſome Brand on the off Shoulder, but what is uncertain.

The Owner or Owners may have them again, on proving Property, and paying Charges.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is in the Poſſeſſion of *Sabrit Clagett*, near *Upper Marlborough*, in *Prince George's* County, taken up as a Stray, a Bright Bay Mare, about 12 Hands high, and has one white Foot; but is not branded or dock'd.

The Owner may have her again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *Thomas Todd*, at *Elk Ridge* Landing, taken up as a Stray, a ſmall Black Horſe, with a ſway Back, and branded on the near Buttock thus H.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

TO BE SOLD,

A LOT in *Upper-Marlborough*, near the Dwelling-Houſe of *John Hepburn*, Eſq; whereon is a new Dwelling Houſe, with a Brick Chimney, two Fire Places, three Rooms on the lower Floor, and two above Stairs. The Yard fenced in, and there is Ground enough for a large Garden. *Hancock Lee.*

PENELOPE HOUSE,

LIVING in the House where *James Barnes* formerly lived, near the Dock in *Annapolis*, makes or mends HOOP-PETTICOATS of any Fashion, in the neatest and cheapest Manner, having served a regular Apprenticeship to that Business, in *London*. Any Ladies who shall be pleased to favour her with their Orders, may depend on being faithfully served, by

Their very humble Servant,

Penelope House.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *John Gray*, near *Magothy* River, taken up as a Stray, a small Black Horse, about 12 Hands high, paces a little, branded on the off Buttock with a sort of a Hook or a crooked Iron, was shod before, and had a Bell on, mark'd I G.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

STOLEN out of the Subscriber's Pocket, on the 20th of *March* last, at the House of Mr. *Slays*, at *Frederick Town* in *Frederick* County, a Silver Watch, mark'd I G on the Out Case, N°. 2842, with a Key and Silver Seal; the Maker's Name forgot; and has a Silver Case Inside to cover the Works.

Whoever brings the said Watch to the Subscriber, at *Upper Marlborough*, shall have Five Pounds Reward, on Conviction of the Thief, or Twenty Shillings Currency for the Watch alone, and no Questions ask'd.

John Gibson.

RAN away from the *Bush* River Iron Works, in *March* last, a *Scotch* Servant Man, named *Archibald Hambleton*; he is a very lusty tall Fellow, stoops a little in the Shoulders, and turns in his Toes as he walks, and is very freckled in the Face and Hands, and slow of Speech. He had on when he went away, a coarse white Linnen Shirt, a coarse Cotton Jacket, and an old Felt Hat.

Whoever shall take up the abovementioned Servant, and secure him, so that his Master may get him again, shall have Two Pistoles Reward.

Benjamin Welsh.

By his EXCELLENCY

HORATIO SHARPE, Esq;

GOVERNOR and Commander in Chief in and over the Province of MARYLAND.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS I have received Information, by the Deposition of *John Willis*, a Serjeant in the *Virginia* Regiment, and Others, That a certain *Gerard Jordan*, junior, of *St. Mary's* County, hath been guilty of obstructing the raising his Majesty's Levies, drinking the Pretender's Health, and several other disloyal and illegal Practices:

And that a certain *Joseph Broadway* of the said County, hath been aiding and assisting to the said *Gerard Jordan* therein:

I have, therefore, thought fit, with the Advice of his Lordship's Council of State, to issue this my Proclamation, hereby promising a Reward to any of his Majesty's Subjects within this Province (Officers excepted), of the Sum of TWENTY POUNDS Current Money, for apprehending and bringing to Justice the said *Gerard Jordan*; and also a Reward of the Sum of TEN POUNDS like Money, for apprehending and bringing to Justice the said *Joseph Broadway*: And I do hereby strictly charge and require all his Lordship's Officers, Civil and Military, within this Province, to be aiding and assisting in the apprehending the said *Gerard Jordan*, junior, and *Joseph Broadway*, so that they may be brought to Justice for the same.

GIVEN at the City of *Annapolis*, this 30th Day of *May*, in the 4th Year of his Lordship's Dominion, *Annoque Domini* 1754.

HOR°. SHARPE.

J. Ross, Cl. Con.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *Daniel M'Coy*, in *Frederick* County, taken up as a Stray, a Dun colour'd Mare, about 12 Hands high, branded on the off Shoulder with the Letter A, and on the off Buttock with the Letters A B, has a small Star in her Face, and her near hind Foot white: She had about her Neck a Bell of about 3 Shillings Price.

The Owner may have her again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *James May*, in *Dorchester* County, taken up as a Stray, a small Grey Mare, branded on the near Shoulder with the Letter S, and on the near Buttock with a Figure of 7.

The Owner may have her again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

TO BE SOLD,

A TRACT of Land, lying in the Fork of *Gunpowder* River, in *Baltimore* County, containing Two Hundred and Thirty-two Acres, for Currency, Sterling, or Gold.

Whoever is inclinable to purchase the same, by applying to Mr. *Roger Boyce*, or Mr. *William Young*, in the said County, or to Capt. *Walter Smith* in *Calvert* County, may be satisfied as to the Quality, Price, and Title.

Upper Marlborough, May 24, 1754.

To be Leased into Lots, to contain One Hundred Acres each, for any Term not exceeding Twenty one Years,

SEVENTEEN Hundred Acres of good Tobacco Land, situate in *Frederick* County, on the Waggon Road between the Mouth of *Manockasy* and *Seneca* Bridge.

For Terms apply to

John Hepburn.

JUST IMPORTED,

From LONDON, *in the* THAMES, *and to be Sold by the Subscriber, at the Ferry Branch of* Patapsco,

CHESHIRE and *Gloucestershire* CHEESE, LEMONS, STRONG BEER and ALE, in Bottles and Cask, LONDON PORTER in Barrels, choice CLARET in three Dozen Hampers, *French* WHITE WINE in Chests, each Chest containing thirty Flasks, *China* and Earthen WARE, black OAKAM, and OSNABRIGS, with sundry other GOODS too tedious to mention.

James Dobbins.

JACOB TROUGHTWINE, Doctor, *From* GERMANY, *now settled at* FREDERICK-TOWN *near* Manockasy,

CURES the Country Distemper in Four Weeks; and will also undertake to cure a Wen without cutting of it; and sundry other Cures; and desires no Money until the Cure is compleated. Whoever has occasion to apply to him, may enquire of *Michael Jesserang*, and be further informed.

THERE are at the Plantation of Capt. *Thomas Addison*, at *Gisborough*, at the Mouth of the Eastern Branch of *Potowmack* River, in *Prince George's* County, the undermentioned Cattle, *viz.* A Red and White Bull, marked with a Crop and under Bit and over Bit in the right Ear, and under half in the left.

Two Red and White Heifers, with the same Marks.

A Black Steer, mark'd with a Crop and Slit and under Bit in the right Ear, and a Hole in the left.

A Brindled Pied Heifer, with a Swallow Fork in the right Ear, and under Bit and over Bit in the left.

The Owners may have them again, on proving their Property, and paying Charges.

May 9, 1754.

YESTERDAY was committed to my Custody, on Suspicion of being a Runaway, one *James Brown*, who denies he has any Master, and says he came into *York* River in *Virginia* about 3 Months ago, the Captain's Name *Taylor*, but the Ship's Name he has forgot; he speaks much on the Brogue, has on a blue Cloth Coat and Breeches, a striped Flannel Waistcoat, and Check Shirt; he is of a swarthy Complexion, with light brown Eyes.

His Master may have him again, on Application, paying the Fees, and Charge of this Advertisement.

William Young,
Sheriff of *Baltimore* County.

ALL Persons indebted to the Estate of Capt. *Joseph Cowman*, late of *Anne-Arundel* County, deceased, are desired to come and pay off their respective Ballances, to prevent Trouble; and all those who have any Demands against the said Estate, are desired to bring them in legally proved, and they shall be immediately paid, by

Joseph Cowman, Executor.

For *LONDON* directly,

The good Ship HANBURY, JAMES CREAGH, *Commander*;

A new Vessel, built at Annapolis, *staunch, strong, and well fitted, and now lying in the Ferry Branch of* Patapsco *River,*

WILL load TOBACCO on Freight, to be consign'd to any of the *London* Merchants, without Exception, on the following Terms: At Five Pounds Sterling *per* Ton, of 4 Hogsheads, if brought to the Ship's Side; or at Six Pounds Sterling *per* Ton, if fetch'd from any Landing whatever, at the Ship's Charge.

There is no doubt but this Vessel will be early in her Departure, having near one Third of her Cargo provided for her.

For Freight or Passage apply as follows, *viz.*

Patrick Creagh, in *Annapolis*,
Daniel Chamier, at *Elk Ridge* Landing,
John Carnan, in *Baltimore Town*,
James Creagh, on board the said Vessel.

The Subscriber, as Owner of the above named Vessel, begs Leave to observe to all the Gentlemen Shippers to Messieurs *John Hanbury* and Company, that this Vessel was intended for their Service, and that he was at an extraordinary Expence to get her finish'd in Time to have loaded last Fall, but could not succeed; he hopes, nevertheless, that the Goodness of the Vessel, her being the Built of this Country, the Lowness of the Freight (a Consideration to be much regarded now Tobacco is so low) and the Certainty of her being an early Vessel, will induce them, and other Gentlemen Shippers to their Merchants, to give her the Preference of their Favours, which shall be gratefully acknowledged, by

Their most humble and obliged Servant,

Patrick Creagh.

JUST IMPORTED,

In Capt. COOLIDGE, CARROLL, *and* WHITE, *from* LONDON, *and to be Sold by the Subscriber, at his Store in* UPPER-MARLBOROUGH *on* Patuxent *River,*

GREAT Variety of *European* and *East India* GOODS, Sail Duck, Anchors, Grapnels, Cordage, Twine, Ship Chandlery, &c. &c. at the most reasonable Rates, for Bills of Exchange, Cash, or Tobacco.

Stephen West.

THE Subscriber being removed to *Upper Marlborough*, all Persons who have any Demands against him, contracted during his Residence at *Annapolis*, are desired to send in their Accounts to Mr. *Dick*'s Store there, that they may be adjusted and paid: And those who are any Ways indebted to him, are requested to settle and pay off their respective Accounts to Mr. *James Dick*, who will grant proper Discharges for such Payments.

Stephen West.

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